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## ABOVE-AVERAGE RAINFALL NOTED THROUGHOUT SOVIET UNION

Moskovskaya Pravda, 9 Apr 50

Kiev -- Warm, heavy rains have fallen in the Ukraine. In Odessa, Izmail, Kirovograd, and other oblasts, precipitation amounted to 10-20 and more millimeters.

Kazakhstanskaya Pravda, 12 Apr 50

Kherson -- The Lower Dnieper region is having heavier downpours than it has had in many years. The water in the dry steppe areas has penetrated deep into the soil. Over 20 millimeters of rain fell on 9 April.

Nal'chik -- Kabardinian ASSR has had heavy rainfall which has thoroughly saturated the soil. As a result, winter crops are growing very well and shoots of spring crops have appeared.

Kommunist, 14 Apr 50

Krasnodar -- Warm, opring rains have fallen in the souther and central regions of Krasnodar Kray. Up to 20 millimeters of rain fell in Adygey ASSR.

Izvestiya, 27 May 50

Dnepropetrovsk -- Warm rains have been pouring down in Dnepropetrovsk and Zaporozhye oblasts. According to the oblast meteorological station, precipitation falling vesterday in several rayons in Dnepropetrovsk Oblast amounted to 21-34 millimeters, and in Zaporozhye Oblast to 17 millimeters.

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Sovetskaya Moldaviya, 31 May 50

After a prolonged period of hot weather, rain fell in Moldavia. The rain began in the northern regions and during the course of 2 days spread throughout the republic. During the night of 30 May, the rain was accompanied by strong wind and thunder. The heaviest precipitation occurred in the central and southern regions. In Tiraspol' and Bendery, it rained 42-47 millimeters; in Leovo and Beltsy, 30-34 millimeters; in Komrat and Soroki, 20-22 millimeters; and in Kishinev, 16 millimeters.

Sovetskaya Estoniya, 4 Jun 50

Ashkhabad -- Heavy rains have fallen in the eastern Kopet-Dag regions and over a large area of the Kara-Kum Desert. On 29 May, 40 millimeters of precipitation fell in Ashkhabad, a rare occurrence for this time of year in Turkmenistan.

Sovetskaya Litva, 21 Jun 50

Kurgan -- June in the Western Urals, usually very dry, was rainy this year. Heavy precipitation fell several times during the month. On 20 June, rain was falling for the second consecutive day. The heavy rain portends a large harvest.

Vechernyaya Moskva, 1 Jul 50

Ashkhabad -- Heavy rain has fallen in the Kopet-Dag region. The city of Ashkhabad received 40 millimeters of rain, a rare occurrence for Turkmen SSR.

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